

Village of Sackets Harbor Board of Trustees  
March 8, 2016 6:30 pm  
Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
112 N. Broad St.  
Sackets Harbor, NY 13685

Present: Mayor Vincent Battista, Deputy Mayor Barbara Boulton, Trustee Daniel Frechette, Trustee Molly Reilly, Trustee Vance Waggoner.

Mayor Battista called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 pm.

### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the February 9, 2016 Meeting were approved as corrected in a motion made by Trustee Frechette, seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

The minutes of the February 24, 2016 Budget Meeting were approved as corrected in a motion made by Trustee Reilly, seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

The Minutes of the February 29, 2016 Budget Meeting were approved as corrected in a motion made by Trustee Reilly, seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

### **MAYORS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

A letter of resignation was received from Trustee John LaDuc due to his move outside of the Village. Mayor Battista appointed Vance Waggoner to fill Trustee LaDuc's term on the board. Trustee Waggoner was sworn in before the meeting. The Mayor thanked Trustee LaDuc and welcomed Trustee Waggoner. Mayor Battista reported receipt of the monthly DANC report, and the annual certification for the DEC of the wastewater treatment to be completed by March 28<sup>th</sup>.

The Village also received a Fiscal Stress Report from the State Comptroller which was very favorable. Mayor Battista attended a seminar on solar incentives at SUNY Canton this month.

The request was received from the SH School District for tax collection. The payment for this will be \$3,000.00 this year.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Jay Kramer had contacted the Mayor concerning a trash receptacle at Fort Pike Park. This was tabled until Lonny Reinhart, DPW Superintendent, returns.

The Teamsters Union request has been rescinded by the DPW employees.

Don Dimonda, Chamber of Commerce, presented more background on the proposed billboard advertising. The Board is still concerned that the procedures were not followed and is waiting for a

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written commitment from the Chamber of Commerce and input from the Marketing Committee on the design and branding.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The meeting was opened for public comment at 7:20

John LaDuc would like the trailer delivered to the ice rink so it can be loaded for the end of the season. Public comments were closed at 7:22 pm.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

A permit application was received from the Sackets Harbor Class of 2019 for a Fun Run/Walk on 4-16-16 utilizing the trail system to raise money for the American Cancer Society. The application was approved in a motion made by Trustee Frechette, seconded by Trustees Reilly and Boulton. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

Trustee Reilly proposed implementing a volunteer census and survey process to encourage volunteerism. A survey form was passed out for comments and recommendations. This will be revisited at the next meeting.

A permit application was reviewed from the Sgt. Audie Murphy Club to sponsor a Polar Plunge to benefit the Special Olympics of NY. Representatives of the Special Olympics, The Sgt. Audie Murphy Club, the NYS Police Dive Team and the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department attended to answer questions from the board. The application was approved in a motion made by Trustees Reilly and Boulton, seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays. An invitation was extended to the board members to take part in the polar plunge.

## **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

Deputy Mayor Boulton reported that the Library is continuing their movie matinees. The Marketing Committee is looking at a way to link the Facebook page with the Web site. She would like to review the personnel policies with Trustee Reilly and Treasurer Jim Yuhas. She would also like to go over the sewer law with Trustee Frechette, DPW Superintendent Lonnie Reinhart, Dave Altieri and Peter Daly.

Trustee Frechette noted that he took great honor in having worked with Trustee John LaDuc and wanted to thank him for his work with the Village.

Trustee Reilly reported that the Historical Society Winter Concert Series continues with great success.

She wanted to thank John Madlin and Lynn Martin for the tour of the DPW equipment in order to assist in the budget planning process.

There has been significant progress in the 2016 – 2017 budget process and she wanted to thank Treasurer Jim Yuhas for his careful management of the Village finances.

Trustee Reilly reported that the Can-Am Festival Committee is seeking sponsors and volunteers.

She met with Dave Altieri about the future plans for the Pickering-Beach Museum and Union Hotel.

The Chamber of Commerce has introduced the “Shop, Wine and Dine Wednesdays”.

She also wanted to thank Trustee LaDuc, and welcome Trustee Waggoner.

The Joint Recreation Commission reports they are looking for coaches for the baseball/softball program.

## **TREASURERS REPORT**

The Treasurers report was accepted in a motion made by Trustee Waggoner, seconded by Trustee Reilly. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

A motion to pay the bills and accept Abstract #10 with vouchers #772 through #847 was made by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Trustee Reilly. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

A motion for budget transfers was made by Deputy Mayor Boulton and seconded by Trustee Waggoner. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

There will be one more meeting to discuss the 2016-2017 Budget on Tuesday March 22, 2016. The preliminary budget so far has no increase in taxes and no increase in water and sewer rates. A resolution to hold a public hearing at the next regular meeting of the Village Board on April 12, 2016 to present the 2016-2017 preliminary budget was proposed by Trustee Frechette and seconded by Deputy Mayor Boulton. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

John Madlin reported from the DPW that the DEC recently did their inspection of the sewer plant. Last year at this time the DPW had plowed 87 times, this year they have plowed 30 times. There have been no major water main breaks this year.

Gail Gorgen, The Visitor’s Center, had nothing new to report.

Kris Dimmick, the Village Engineer reported that the DEC was very impressed with the DPW’s work at the sewer plant.

The Main St. project and the Fluoridation project have been advertised. Four contractors have picked up plans for the Main St. project.

He wanted to make sure everyone was aware that there will be patches on all curbs and sidewalks; half of the curbs will be a patch. There will be road patches on General Smith Dr. from tying in water lines.

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Janet Quinn, Chair of the Planning Board, reported they did not have a meeting in February.

Dave Altieri, Heritage Area Director, reported he has been working on Pickering Beach and Market Square Park Grants. They have been exploring different uses of the Union Hotel.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting was opened to the public for comments at 8:40 pm.

Eric Constance, 112 W. Washington St., thinks sidewalks and new curbs should be included in the Main St. Project.

Don DiMonda, Bayview Place, is hopeful that the final Certificate of Completion will arrive from the DEC for the LDC property. They will be scheduling a public hearing. When the clean-up is performed to the satisfaction of the DEC, the Certificate of Completion is issued and the DEC assumes the liability for any remaining contamination of the property. They will be looking to market the property. Bowers and Co. are doing the annual audit.

The Historical Society reports the last of the Winter concert series will be held March 19<sup>th</sup>.

Public comment was closed at 8:52 PM.

The meeting was adjourned by a motion made by Deputy Mayor Boulton, seconded by Trustee Frechette. Vote 5 Ayes (Boulton, Frechette, Reilly, Waggoner and Battista), 0 Nays.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Peggy Kelly  
Village Clerk